

MINUTES

**OF THE
ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-SIXTH
ANNUAL SESSION**

**OF THE
ORIGINAL BEAR CREEK
PRIMITIVE BAPTIST
ASSOCIATION**

**HELD WITH
CROOKED CREEK CHURCH**

**Monroe, North Carolina
September 16, 17, 18**

1988

**Next session convenes with
High Point Church
High Point, North Carolina**

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Proceedings

Of The 156th Annual Session Of The Original Bear Creek Primitive Baptist Association

Friday, September 16, 1988

The association met with Crooked Creek Primitive Baptist Church, Monroe, North Carolina at 10:30 a.m. and joined in songs of praise after which Elder E.W. Hooven led in prayer and Elder Larry Austin, pastor of Crooked Creek Church delivered the introductory sermon using Acts 20:22-30 as a text.

After a time for refreshments and fellowship, the association opened with prayer by Elder Rom Kerley and convened for business. Elder Larry Austin served as moderator, Brother W.T. Broadway served as clerk and Brother Ken Austin was called as assistant clerk.

1. Extended invitation to all orderly Primitive Baptists who are in good standing with their home churches to seats with us.

2. Called for letters of representation from sister churches of the association which were read by Elder Roy Speir and Brother Andy Anderson and their status noted.

CROOKED CREEK: Represented by entire membership.

HIGH POINT: Brethren Raymond Clark, Don Bowman, David Dix and Ted Myers.

MEADOW CREEK: Elder Paul Stroupe, Brethren Gene Herrin, Jerry Deese and Joe Robinson.

PLEASANT HILL: Brethren Jerry Lucas, Bruce Sarber, Mark Paysour and Barry Cole.

HIGH HILL: Brethren Bill Benton, Robert Pressley, Earl Crook and Howard Edwards.

PARK VIEW: Brethren Richard McGee, Pete Smith, Dwayne Hooven and Elwood Ashby.

LIBERTY HILL: Brethren Eldredge Furr, Hobart Medlin, Tim Furr and Reece Eury.

PLEASANT GROVE: Brethren James Mills, Bill Curlee, L. D. Mullis and Winfred Newsome.

UNION GROVE: Brethren Oren Clontz, Marion Martin, W. S. Walden and Ken Austin.

MOUNTAIN CREEK: Brethren Tim Goodman, Leroy Plowman, Lynn Hunnecutt and Mac Miller.

LAWYER'S SPRING: Brethren Brackie Helms, Gradon Helms, Tommy Marsh and Walter Hasty.

BETHEL: Brethren Douglas McLamb, Mason Anderson, Steve Smith and Glen Lewis.

CORINTH: Brethren Jennings Hough, Jim Briscoe, Dick Styers and David Oliver.

HERRIN'S GROVE: No letter received.

JERUSALEM: No letter received.

MILLS CHAPEL: Brethren Lee Griffin, Reid Shue, Luke McCurdy and Howard Little.

NEW HOPE: Brethren Sam Campbell, C.R. Smith, Edsel Thomas and Sister Eugenia Campbell.

OAK GROVE: Not currently meeting.

3. Called for petitionary letters: None were presented.

4. The moderator was authorized to appoint committees on preaching and finance and appointed the following:

PREACHING COMMITTEE: Elders Rommie Williams and Newell Helms, Brethren Ed Pressley, Pete Smith, Tom Vanhoy, Gene Herrin and Parks Mullis.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Elders Guy Parks and Joe Helms, Brethren Reece Eury, Dennis Pressley, Ted Myers, Joe Robinson and Sam Campbell.

5. Called for presbytery reports: None were presented.

6. Called for visitors from corresponding associations to seats with us and welcomed the following:

ORIGINAL LITTLE RIVER OF NORTH CAROLINA: Elder Worth Stephenson, Elder and Sister Seba Clifton, Brother Coleman Strickland, Sister Hazel Roberts, Brother and Sister Dwight Roberts.

ORIGINAL TOWALIGA: Minutes.

LITTLE RIVER OF GEORGIA: Minutes.

FRIENDSHIP OF GEORGIA: Brother and Sister Verlon Corbitt.

TENNESSEE-NOLACHUCKY: Minutes.

ORIGINAL POWELL'S VALLEY: Elder John Robbins, Brother Clinton Ritter, Brother Lawrence Ritter, Brother and Sister Ray Wells, Brother and Sister Glen Hamby.

MT. ZION OF ALABAMA: Elder Mitchell Phillips.

SOUTH ARKANSAS: Minutes.

7. Invited visitors from associations and churches with whom we do not carry formal correspondence to seats with us and gladly received the following:

MT. ZION ASSN. (WV): Elder and Sister Franklin Oresta, Brother Sidney Moye.

LITTLE HOPE ASSN. (AL): Sister Sharon Crocker.

LITTLE CREEK CHURCH (SC): Elder Charles Crapse.

LITTLE FLOCK CHURCH (VA): Elder and Sister Raymond Pressley, Licentiate and Sister Richard Cox, Brother and Sister Ralph Hargrave, Brother Craig Dixon.

AFTON ROAD CHURCH (VA): Sister Mary Griffin, Sister Sharon Wouters, Sister Bernice Handy, Brother and Sister Thurman Jones, Brother and Sister John Lawrence, Brother and Sister Thomas Lawrence, Brother and Sister Harvey Lunsford.

PINE CHURCH: Brother and Sister Frank Jones, Brother and Sister Gernie Badgett, Brother and Sister Clarence Brown.
 NORTHSIDE CHURCH (TX): Brother and Sister Murl Dalton.
 ZION'S REST CHURCH (AL): Brother and Sister Charles Kitchens.
 NORTH VIEW CHURCH: Brother and Sister Rufus Bullins.
 NO CREEK CHURCH: Elder Eugene Bennett.

8. Appointed messengers to visit corresponding associations as follows:

ORIGINAL LITTLE RIVER OF NORTH CAROLINA, (4th. week-end, Sept.): Elders Guy Parks, Roy Speir, E. W. Hooven, Rommie Williams, W.M. Benton; Brethren Ed Pressley, Richard McGee, Carl Haigler.

ORIGINAL TOWALIGA, (1st. week-end, Sept.): Elder Larry Austin.

LITTLE RIVER OF GEORGIA, (3rd. week-end, Aug.): Elder Roy Speir.

FRIENDSHIP OF GEORGIA, (2nd. Week-end, Sept.): Elder Paul Stroupe, Brother Carl Haigler.

ORIGINAL POWELL'S VALLEY, (3rd. week-end, Aug.): Elders Joe Helms and Newell Helms; Brethren Gradon Helms, Ed Pressley and Ken Austin.

MT. ZION OF ALABAMA, (2nd. week-end, Sept.): Elders Guy Parks, Roy Speir and Newell Helms; Brethren Ed Pressley, Dennis Pressley and Richard McGee.

SOUTH ARKANSAS, (3rd. week-end, Sept.): Brother W.S. Walden.

9. Unanimously agreed to continue correspondence with all associations with whom we now correspond.

10. Elder Guy Parks was appointed to write the corresponding letter to be approved at our Saturday meeting.

11. Unanimously agreed to adjourn until Saturday morning at 9:30 with the meeting to continue at Forest Hills High School.

Prayer by Elder W. M. Benton

Saturday, September 17, 1988

The association met according to adjournment at 9:30 a.m. at Forest Hills High School. After prayer by Elder Charles Crape the association continued with business as follows:

12. Acknowledged visitors who had arrived since the Friday session and listed their names under items 6 and 7.

13. Called for the report of the finance committee:

Received from the churches	\$3,522.
Received from friends	\$ 360.
Total	\$3,882.

14. Unanimously agreed to distribute minutes from other associations as usual.

15. Called for the corresponding letter which was approved and ordered embodied in the minutes.

16. Extended invitation for the churches of the association to request fifth Sunday meetings and granted the following:

October 1988	High Hill
January 1989	Meadow Creek
April 1989	Bethel
July 1989	Pleasant Hill

17. Unanimously agreed by move, second and vote to hold the next session of The association with High Point Primitive Baptist Church beginning on Friday before the third Sunday in September 1989 and that the pastor of that church preach the introductory sermon.

18. Unanimously agreed to have 1500 copies of the minutes printed and distributed to the churches and associations as usual and that the clerk superintend same.

19. Unanimously agreed to distribute all funds above that required in item 18 to the ministers present and any other expenses the finance committee may consider expedient.

20. Unanimously agreed by standing vote that we give thanks to our Heavenly Father for His loving kindness and mercy and to the members and friends of Crooked Creek Church for their assistance during this meeting. We would, also, like to express our thanks to Mr. Charles Williams, Principal of Forest Hills High School for the use of the school facilities on Saturday and Sunday. Likewise, we express our appreciation to the Forest Hill Volunteers and Mr. Randy Cook for their assistance in parking.

Benediction by Elder Franklin Oresta

Elder Larry Austin, *moderator*
Brother W. T. Broadway, *clerk*
Brother Ken Austin, *assistant clerk*

CORRESPONDING LETTER

To our corresponding brethren and sisters and all of like precious faith:

It is by God's mercy and loving kindness that we have been blessed to meet again in this associational meeting. We, of the Original Bear Creek Association, thank God that each of you has come our way. We trust that we might uphold the truth and the principles of His inspired word in a manner to encourage you to visit us anytime you can. We love you and we cherish your fellowship.

It is our desire that we might be found faithful and that peace and unity would abound within our churches. The Psalmist David wrote "Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity". We pray that we can continue to enjoy that good and pleasant way. Thank God for all His benefits toward us. Let us give Him all the praise, honor and glory, for He only is worthy.

*In christian love,
Elder Guy Parks*

FINANCIAL REPORT

RECEIPTS:

Received from the churches	\$ 3,522.
Received from friends	\$ 360.
Total receipts	\$ 3,882.

DISBURSEMENTS:

Printing, mailing and distribution of minutes and all other clerk's expenses	\$ 550.
Ministers and miscellaneous expense	\$ 3,332.
Total disbursements	\$ 3,882.

ORDER OF PREACHING

Friday Morning

Elder Larry Austin - Acts 20:22-30

Friday Afternoon

Elder Charles Crapse - Rom. 8:24

Elder Worth Stephenson - Matt. 22:42

Friday Night

Elder Franklin Oresta - Luke 1:1

Elder Mitchell Phillips - Rom. 1:15-17

Saturday Morning

Elder Worth Stephenson - "Prayer"

Elder John Robbins - Isa. 26:20

Saturday Afternoon

Elder Raymond Pressley - Rom. 11:26-29

Elder Eugene Bennett - John 3:1-3

Saturday Night

Lic. Richard Cox - I Peter 2:1-5

Elder Mitchell Phillips - I Thess. 1:1-6

Sunday Morning

Elder Mitchell Phillips - Psalms 100

Elder Rom Kerley - Titus 2

Elder Larry Austin - Heb. 13:1

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Licentiate:

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STATISTICS

CHURCHES

PASTORS

High Point	Elder Roy Speir
Meadow Creek	Elder Paul Stroupe
Pleasant Hill	Elder Roy Speir
High Hill	Elder Newell Helms
Park View	Elder E. W. Hooven
Liberty Hill	Elder Rom Kerley
Pleasant Grove	Elder Joe C. Helms
Union Grove	Elder Newell Helms
Mountain Creek	Elder Joe C. Helms
Lawyer's Spring	Elder Joe C. Helms
Crooked Creek	Elder Larry Austin
Bethel	Elder W. C. Mintz
Corinth	Elder Richard Styers
Herrin's Grove	
Jerusalem	
Mills Chapel	Elder Rom Kerley
New Hope	Elder Rommie Williams
Oak Grove	Elder F. W. Stack
	TOTALS

AL TABLE

	Communion Sundays	Rec'd. by baptism	Rec'd. by relation	Rec'd. by letter	Restored	Dismissed by letter	Excluded	Deceased	Total membership	Contributions
	4th May	3					12	2	101	\$ 300.
	1st June						1		45	220.
	3rd June	2	2					1	49	175.
	1st Sept	2					1	1	80	250.
	3rd May	2						1	66	275
	1st July							3	90	302.
	2nd July	1							55	250.
	2nd Aug	3						9	169	450.
	3rd July	1		1				3	65	375.
	1st Aug								63	200.
	4th July							1	28	125.
	4th June	7			2		1	4	89	200.
	3rd May							1	23	100.
		NO INFORMATION RECEIVED								
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	2nd June	1		1					60	250.
	4th Aug								15	50.
		NOT CURRENTLY MEETING								
		22	2	2	2		15	26	1001	\$ 3522.

In Memoriam

The passing of the following brethren and sisters brought sadness to our hearts during the past year. We will long remember them.

Bethel:	Brother Robert McLamb Sister Vera Hinson Sister Ella Best Sister Sidneth Earl Permenter
Corinth:	Sister Lois Roberts
Crooked Creek:	Sister Bessie May Broadway Honeycutt
High Hill:	Sister Rosa Belle Elms
High Point:	Sister Kate Willard Brother E. M. Mosely
Liberty Hill:	Deacon Craven Furr Brother Lowell Medlin Sister Auta Lambert
Mountain Creek:	Sister Katie Shaver Brother Charlie McSwain Deacon Lonnie Eury
Park View:	Sister Della Quesinberry
Pleasant Hill:	Deacon Elsie Auman
Union Grove:	Sister Effie Griffin Sister Donna Gardner Brother J. Conley Baucom Brother T. Henry Baucom Sister Georgia Voncile Hill Brother Brite Baucom Sister Nannie Hill Brother Charlie Howard Sister Kate Taylor

CHURCH CLERKS AND ADDRESSES

BETHEL: Mason H. Anderson, P.O. Box 345, Shallotte, NC 28495
CORINTH: Dick Styers, Box 1191, Kings Mountain, NC 28086
CROOKED CREEK: W. T. Broadway, 309 Rocky River Rd., Indian Trail, NC 28079
HERRIN'S GROVE: Joe Williams, Rt. 1, Box 434, Mt. Pleasant, NC 28124
HIGH HILL: Dennis Pressley, 1117 Tom Boyd Rd., Monroe, NC 28110
HIGH POINT: Raymond Hicks, 2608 Briarcreek Rd., High Point, NC 27260
JERUSALEM: Kermit Thomas, 2561 Eaton Rd., Charlotte, NC 28205
LAWYER'S SPRING: Ronnie Edwards, 1814 Ridge Rd., Monroe, NC 28110
LIBERTY HILL: Reece Eury, Route 1, Box 90, Oakboro, NC 28129
MEADOW CREEK: Marshall Gaskey, 174 Arlington Ave., SE, Concord, NC 28025
MILLS CHAPEL: Wayne Efird, 2075 Emmanuel Ch. Rd., Rockwell, NC 28138
MOUNTAIN CREEK: Tim Huneycutt, Rt. 3, Box 219, New London, NC 28127
NEW HOPE: Eugenia Campbell, 100 Sam's Rd., Hopkins, SC 29061
OAK GROVE: Gertrude Griggs, Route 1, Chesterfield, SC 29707
PARK VIEW: Dwayne Hooven, 2263 Timber Ridge Ct., Kernersville, NC 27284
PLEASANT GROVE: Clayton Griffin, Route 2, Marshville, NC 28103
PLEASANT HILL: Allen Copple, Route 4, Asheboro, NC 27203
UNION GROVE: Ken Austin, 3930 Old Camden Rd., Monroe, NC 28110

CLERK'S NOTE

God has blessed us with another sweet and harmonious associational meeting. To Him be all the glory.

I want to thank everyone who has so kindly assisted me in the preparation of the minutes. I love you all.

Ken Austin, assistant clerk

CHURCHES MEETING TIMES

BETHEL: 1st Sunday morning, Pastor; 2nd Sunday morning, Saturday night before, Pastor; 3rd Sunday morning, Pastor; 4th Sunday morning, Elder Newell Helms.

CORINTH: 1st Sunday morning, Elder Williams; 3rd Sunday morning, Pastor.

CROOKED CREEK: 2nd Sunday night, Elder Rom Kerley; 4th Sunday morning and Saturday night before, Pastor.

HERRIN'S GROVE: No information received.

HIGH HILL: 1st Sunday morning, Saturday night before, Pastor; 3rd Sunday morning, Elder Austin.

HIGH POINT: 2nd Sunday morning, 4th Sunday morning and Saturday night before, Pastor.

JERUSALEM: No information received.

LAWYER'S SPRING: 1st Sunday morning and Saturday night before, Pastor; 3rd Sunday morning, Elder Parks.

LIBERTY HILL: 1st Sunday morning and Saturday night before, Pastor; 2nd Sunday morning, Elder Austin.

MEADOW CREEK: 1st Sunday morning and Saturday afternoon before, Pastor; 3rd Sunday morning, Elder Newell Helms, 4th Sunday morning, Pastor.

MILLS CHAPEL: 2nd Sunday morning and Saturday night before; 4th Sunday morning, Pastor.

MOUNTAIN CREEK: 3rd Sunday morning and Saturday night before, Pastor; 4th Sunday morning, Elder Parks.

NEW HOPE: 2nd Sunday morning, Pastor; 4th Sunday morning, Elder Joe Helms.

OAK GROVE: Not currently meeting.

PARK VIEW: 1st Sunday morning, 3rd Sunday morning and Saturday night before, Pastor.

PLEASANT GROVE: 2nd Sunday morning and Saturday night before, Pastor; 3rd Sunday morning, Elder Kerley.

PLEASANT HILL: 1st Sunday morning, 3rd Sunday morning and Saturday night before, Pastor.

UNION GROVE: 2nd Sunday morning and Saturday night before, Pastor; 4th Sunday morning, Elder Hooven.

LOCATION OF CHURCHES

- BETHEL:** Four miles northwest of Calabash, NC, 1/4 mile north of Hickman's Crossroads.
- CORINTH:** South Sims Street, Kings Mountain, NC, 3 blocks off Highway 74.
- CROOKED CREEK:** Just off Highway 218, 4 miles east of Highway 601, approximately 10 miles north of Monroe, NC.
- HERRIN'S GROVE:** Four miles southeast of Mt. Pleasant, NC, 2 miles south of Highway 73 on road 1233.
- HIGH HILL:** Just off Highway 601 North in the suburbs of Monroe, NC, 1/2 mile north of Highway 74.
- HIGH POINT:** 209 Rock Springs Road, 1 block off the 1500 block of North Main Street, High Point, NC.
- JERUSALEM:** Twelve miles north of Wadesboro, NC and approximately 3 miles east of Highway 218.
- LAWYER'S SPRING:** Just south of Highway 74 at the underpass in Peachland, NC.
- LIBERTY HILL:** Ten miles west of Albemarle, NC on Highway 27 near Red Cross.
- MEADOW CREEK:** On Meadow Creek Road between Highway 27 West and Highway 200 North near Locust, NC.
- MILLS CHAPEL:** On China Grove Road just off Lane Street between I-85 and Highway 601-29 in Kannapolis, NC.
- MOUNTAIN CREEK:** Five miles north of Albemarle, NC on Mountain Creek Church Road.
- NEW HOPE:** Nine miles east of Columbia, SC just off Highway 262 on Leesburg Rd.
- OAK GROVE:** Nine miles south of Wadesboro, NC just off Highway 742.
- PARK VIEW:** Just off Sprague Street near Highway 311 in Winston-Salem, NC.
- PLEASANT GROVE:** 3 1/2 miles north of Marshville, NC, approximately 1 mile west of Highway 205 on Lawyers Road.
- PLEASANT HILL:** Approximately 4 miles northwest of Seagrove, NC, south of Asheboro, NC.
- UNION GROVE:** On Highway 200 North (Morgan Mill Rd.) approximately 4 miles north of Highway 74, Monroe, NC.

RULES GOVERNING THE ORIGINAL BEAR CREEK

PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

1. We understand that at whatever Church is Association is being held, it is under the authority of the Hostess Church, as any other regular or monthly conference meeting, in which the Church invites the Ministers and Messengers of the sister churches to seats, and take part with them.

2. The officers of that Church shall be the officers of the Association, provided the Pastor is a member of the Association, and if not, the Church shall elect any member of the Association to preside as Moderator. The Church may request the help of any member of another sister Church to assist in the business transactions of the Association.

3. This Association shall have no authority to pass upon any question of a disciplinary nature except it has been passed upon by the local churches composing this Association; then the work of the churches shall be recognized by the Association.

4. Any member who endeavors to bring in or inject a disciplinary question that involves fellowship, before it has been passed upon by the local churches, shall be considered out of order by the church with which the Association is being held, and by the messengers present from the sister churches.

5. The Association shall be conducted for the purpose of associating together in song, prayer, and preaching service. The Finance Committee shall disburse the funds on hand, as the Association shall so direct. The Body may receive corresponding messengers and visitors from sister associations, and may appoint messengers and visitors to keep up a correspondence with sister associations. No other business shall be transacted by the Association, except that which is necessary to set forth the status of each Church composing this Association in the form of a minute.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

Article 1. We believe in one living and true God, the Father, the Word and the Holy Ghost.

Article 2. We believe in the man Jesus being the first of all God's creation and the pattern of all God's perfection in nature, grace and glory, and in relative union with the Divine Word, and thus united with the whole Trinity.

Article 3. We believe that the scripture of the King James Version of the Old and New Testaments contain the only written, revealed word of God and the perfect rule of faith and practice for God's Church in her militant state while here on earth.

Article 4. We believe in the doctrine of election; that God chose His Church in Christ Jesus before the world began.

Article 5. We believe in all mankind's apostacy by transgression in Adam, the federal head.

Article 6. We believe in the doctrine of original sin.

Article 7. We believe in the impotency of man to recover himself from his fallen state by his own free will and ability.

Article 8. We believe that sinners are justified freely by grace and before God by faith in Christ and His righteousness only.

Article 9. We believe that God's elect or Church shall be called, converted, regenerated and sanctified by the Holy Spirit in due time.

Article 10. We believe that the saints shall persevere in grace and never really fall away.

Article 11. We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Christ's appointment, and that believers alone are the subject of baptism and the only proper communicants of the Supper; that the mode of baptism is immersion, and that neither of the ordinances is to be altered or changed by the inventions or opinions of men. We believe in feet washing as taught by our Savior in St. John 13:4-17.

Article 12. We believe that no man, as a minister, has any right to the administration of any of the ordinances of the gospel except such as are sound in the faith of the gospel, regularly baptized, called of God and have come under the imposition of hands by a regular presbytery.

Article 13. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, both the just and the unjust, and a general judgment.

Article 14. We believe that the punishment of the wicked will be everlasting and the joys of the righteous eternal.

